

# Interpretive Schedule

Welcome to Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area

This is your guide to an adventure-filled Veterans Day weekend.

View the night sky through a telescope and learn about the stars.

Discover OW's geology on an exciting ATV tour. Meet the massive mega-fauna that used to call OW home at our Gnarly Beasts of the Past Exhibit. There are even opportunities to become a Junior Ranger. We hope to see you there!

## Friday, November 11th, 2011

#### 8:00 am to 10:00 am Coffee with a Naturalist

Thirsty for some information? Stop by the shower house off of Ranger Station Road for a delicious cup of coffee or hot chocolate. Grab a map and get the latest and greatest information about the programs Ocotillo Wells has to offer!

#### 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Talking Bubbles at Gas Domes

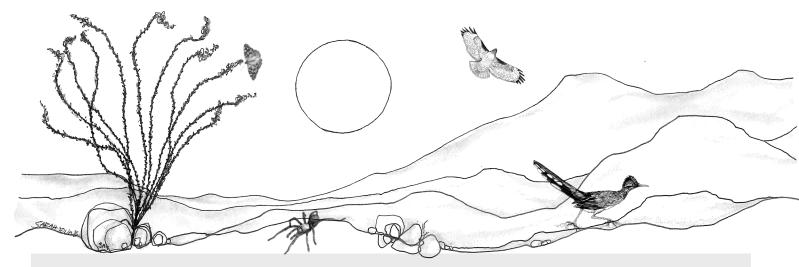
Come learn about what makes the Gas Domes bubble! Join our park interpreters to talk about the amazing forces going on right beneath our feet!

#### 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Gnarly Beasts of the Past at Pumpkin Patch

Join us to discover the mega-critters of the past and why they're so gnarly! Picture a shark the size of a bus chasing walruses through the sea above Shell Reef. Check out the skull of the biggest bear that ever walked North America!

#### 11:00 am Junior Ranger Program at the Discovery Center

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## 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Junior Ranger Explorer Zone at the Discovery Center

Visit the Discovery Center anytime between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm for an action-packed afternoon of games, crafts and fun facts about your favorite state park!

#### 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm Stargazing at the Amphitheatre

Join us at the amphitheatre, located near the Ranger Station, for an incredible look at our night sky. Our park interpreters will amaze you with views of the moon, stars and planets. Bring a light jacket and be prepared to drink hot chocolate at this family event.

## Saturday, November 12th, 2011

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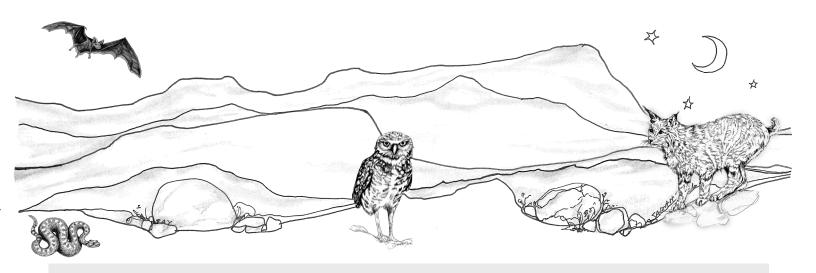
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#### 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm The Sands of Blowsand

Come learn about how the amazing power of wind has created and changed our landscape. Find out how everyone's favorite thrill hill came to be!

## 2:00 pm Junior Ranger Program at Discovery Center

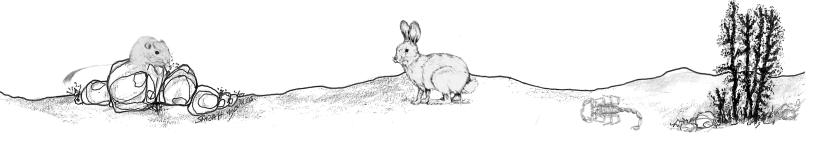
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Sidewinders have special sensory organs that can "see" infrared images, and they can detect the heat from a candle flame up to 30 feet away!





The wonders of Ocotillo Wells are here for your discovery.

While visiting us, take time to enjoy the subtle things around you,

they are worthy of your exploration.

## Sunday, November 13th, 2011

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- 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Talking Bubbles at Gas Domes

  Come learn about what makes the Gas Domes bubble! Join our park interpreters to talk about the amazing forces going on right beneath our feet!
- 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Adventure on the Go! at the Gas Domes

  Calling all kids! Stop by the domes to discover all the fun and adventure Ocotillo Wells has to offer.
- 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Gnarly Beasts of the Past at Truckhaven 4x4 Training Area

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  shark the size of a bus chasing walruses through the sea above Shell Reef. Check out
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One of the symbols of the southwest, the roadrunner gets its name for its ability to run at speeds of up to 15 mph!

## What', up at OW? Tune into AMI620 Radio Rock-otillo!



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